

St. Francis de Sales Catholic School

Wednesday Newsletter

October 17, 2018

REJOICE IN THE LORD ALWAYS!

Last week's storm caught us off guard. Water is so vital to life and yet too much can be a problem. A bridge near my house was washed away during the downpour. It made me think of how we work so hard to build bridges with people. As humans we desire to be connected to others. At work we need to have the bridge of communication strong in order to get things done. Within families, these ties provide support and love. Seeing how quickly water could destroy a bridge made me think of how quickly anger and emotions can ruin the bridges between us.

Our neighborhood will soon begin to rebuild the bridge that a storm so easily demolished. We need to constantly nurture and repair our relationships with those with whom we have damaged or lost our connections. Forgiveness and patience is vital for us to hold up bridges with others.

With Joy,

Mrs. Debbie Traum

Lunch for the next week:

Thursday,10/18	Friday, 10/19	Monday,10/22	Tuesday,10/23	Wed.,10/24
Freaky Lots of choices	No lunch Noon dismissal	Pizza!	Chicken nuggets	Meatball sub

Reminders

*Please be reminded that students who arrive to school after 8:10 am are tardy. When students have more than 4 tardies in a trimester the consequence is recess detention. Your child will bring home an office communication should this occur.

*We ask that when you need to have a conference with your child's teacher you schedule one ahead of time. Teachers may not be interrupted during the school day while they are teaching. Additionally, make sure that when you enter the building to volunteer, you first get a name badge and sign in with the school office.

*This Friday marks the midpoint for the first trimester. Please sign up for a conference with your child's teachers in order to discuss his/her progress thus far.

*Free Parenting Workshop sponsored by the Community Foundation, [click here](#)

Important Dates

- Friday, 10/19 noon dismissal, faculty PD, aftercare available
- Thursday, 10/25-parent/teacher conferences 4-7pm
- Friday, 10/26, no school, parent/teacher conferences 8am-4pm
- Friday, 10/26 school Halloween Dance-If you would like to chaperone, contact Mrs. Traum.
- Saturday, 10/27 Fall festival

Home and School Association

SCRIP Don't miss Kris Reilly in the parking lot Friday afternoons selling gift cards. Earn credit for tuition and volunteer hours while you shop!

Designer Purse/Cash Bingo

We'd like to send out a HUGE thank you to Becky Thomas & Manda Ruark for putting on an amazing night at our Designer Purse/Cash Bingo. The event was almost sold out and everyone had a great time. We'd also like to thank all of the families and businesses that helped make our event a success by donating to the event...we had every bag & prize sponsored this year! We couldn't have done it without all your support!

Uniform Swap

We have 2 upcoming swaps scheduled for Friday, October 26th from 9:00 am – 3:00 pm (during Parent Teacher Conferences) & Friday, November 2nd from 3:15 -6:00 pm. Please note that this will be the last swap before the switch to winter uniforms. If you have items to turn in for credit, please send them in to the office with the form below prior to the swap. Katie Manes, our new Uniform Swap chair, will be looking for people to help work the swap, so please let us know if you can volunteer.

https://lookaside.fbsbx.com/file/Uniform%20Swap_Credit%20Voucher.pdf?token=AWyEXvjfP92AHdj8BZxLSvEPEOq1fPpBhXlhO3aNMIioGvEKPQ7OSCTUbxCYQdYohSvmJpsYPEf17MNSJ2z9ZfOAHgDfXl7gp3QQ5eClp1ckjvionB_3E6xqoMFGntSkO8nnpzmznDOgEFNXz-43TOs4X4uuafvoZuBI1Ol5HT_sFNweaeHIFDkKwvBhaOuLI

Box Tops

If you have any box tops at home, please send them in by October 22nd. Jessica Moore is working on getting them ready to turn in by the next due date of November 1st. If you would like to help her cut and sort them, and earn volunteer hours, please contact her at 2js1bmoore@gmail.com

HSA Family Fall Festival

HSA Family Fall Festival is scheduled for Saturday, October 27th from 6:30 – 8:30 in the Parish Center. This is a free, fun family indoor event which will include:

- Food
- A haunted house

- Games
- Costume contest
- Indoor trick or treating with a prize for the best decorated table

Please use the sign-up genius link below to see how you can help out!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090e4ba9af2fa7f94-fall>

HSA Dues

With a new school year comes the renewal of your HSA dues. The dues are set at \$15/child again this year and the money goes directly to our homeroom moms to use for class activities and the auction project. We will also be collecting at afternoon pickups on Fridays and during all our school events. We accept cash, checks (made payable to SFDS HSA) or credit cards. If you are unsure whether you have paid your dues, please email us at HSA@sfdscs.org

Youth Ministry St. Francis de Sales Parish CYM - Catholic Youth Ministries Grades 7-

12 *Connecting with God, friends, and the community.*

Get involved with our service projects, fun trips, studies, parties, and pilgrimages! Email lalvarado@visitstfrancis.org for activity updates.

Upcoming events this weekend:

Baked Ziti Dinner on Friday, Oct. 19 from 5-7 p.m. \$12 Adults and \$6 for children ages 3-10. Take a night off from cooking and feel good about supporting our general youth ministries! You can pay or reserve tickets at online giving at visitstfrancis.org (Link: Time, talent, giving and press give online.)

Sunday, Youth Music Mass at Holy Redeemer Church at 9:30 a.m.

OC Paintball in Ocean City. 11:30 -2:00 p.m. (For those carpooling, youth will meet at Holy Redeemer after the 9:30 a.m. Mass.) We are still in need of a few parents to drive! Please let me know ASAP. (We would like to make sure you have a background check on file at SFdS and enough drivers.) \$25 includes all equipment and paint balls, pizza and soda. If you rather pack a lunch, then you pay just \$20 per person. Please bring the permission slips attached and sign up at SIGN UP GENIUS:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b094fa9ad2ba5f85-paintballing>

<https://oceancitypaintball.com/wp-content/uploads/2017/12/OCPB-Waiver.pdf>

[http://www.visitstfrancis.org/images/Annual Consent and Release.pdf](http://www.visitstfrancis.org/images/Annual%20Consent%20and%20Release.pdf)

[http://www.visitstfrancis.org/images/Form B.pdf](http://www.visitstfrancis.org/images/Form_B.pdf)

Hope to see you this weekend!

Blessings, Liza

Register with Liza or the church office! Students who have completed 7th grade religious education and are currently in 8th grade religious education are eligible to participate in the sacramental preparation for Confirmation.

